(*b*) how many of such Judges, if any, have been recruited from among Vakils practising in the Travancore High Court; and

(*c*) who are the Judges, if any so appointed?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: (*a*) Thirteen.

(*b*) None.

(*c*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*b*).

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum Town*): How many of these Judges were recruited from outside Travancore?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: Does the member refer to non-Travancoreans or Travancoreans outside

PRESIDENT: Presumably, non-Travancoreans.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI: No, Sir; I am referring to Vakils practising outside Travancore and to officers of the judiciary outside.

PRESIDENT: Appointments to the High Court Bench are made by the Sovereign acting under his prerogative.

Viswakarmas in the Forest Department.

154. * **MR. N. VELU ACHARY** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of Viswakarma graduates and non-graduate employees on Rs. 20 and above in the Forest Department?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP: Graduates—Nil.

Non-graduates—4.

Resident Medical Officer, General Hospital.

155. * **MR. K. T. THOMAS**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the present Resident Medical Officer had any training in ear, nose and throat treatment;

(*b*) if he had, where it was and for what period;

(*c*) whether he holds any degree or diploma for specialisation; and

(*d*) if the answer to parts (a) to (c) is in the affirmative, whether he is given preference in the matter of rank on the basis of such specialisation?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Madras General Hospital for six months.

(*c*) There is no specialisation diploma awarded in Madras.

(*d*) No.

Resident Medical Officer in the General Hospital.

156. * **MR. K. T. THOMAS**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how long the present Resident Medical Officer in the General Hospital has been holding that office; and

(*b*) whether opportunity is given to every Assistant Surgeon attached to the General Hospital to be the Resident Medical Officer in that institution?

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